Buses which went out of use.

5. **Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state the number of buses which went out of use up to date and the steps taken for their disposal and the amount realised by such disposals, if any?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: 103 buses of Transport Department went out of use up to date, out of which 50 were dismantled and the parts made use of in building new buses. 44 were auctioned and nine are still lying in various garages.

The proceeds of auction sale amounted to Rs. 19,324 Chs. 26 C. 15.

Break downs of the Transport buses.

6. **Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the large number of break downs of the transport buses including Express Buses plying between Nagercoil and Trivandrum in recent times; and

(*b*) if so, why?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: (*a*) No.; Breakdowns are only occasional.

(*b*) Due to mechanical troubles.

Nagercoil Transport Workshop.

7. **Mr T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are any qualified Mechanical Engineers in the Nagercoil Workshop; and

(*b*) if not why they were not employed?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: (*a*) No.

(*b*) They are not needed.

District Officers in the Transport Department.

8. **Mr. T M. Chidambarathanu Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the District Officers in the Department have power to inspect and control bus break downs; and

(*b*) if so, whether such officers are provided with special conveyances to supervise the same?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

Overloading in Transport buses.

9. **Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Police are empowered to check over loading in transport buses; and

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[Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pllai.]

(*b*) if so, whether they have charged any cases against drivers and conductors for such overloading ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : (*a*) Yes, to the extent permitted by the Motor Vehicles Act.

(*b*) No.

Over-time trips.

10. **Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state the maximum number of overtime trips a driver is allowed to make on a particular day with particulars of extra payments made to him ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : One ; 1/2 per cent per hour of the monthly pay.

Waiting sheds.

11. **Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that adequate waiting sheds are not provided for in the several stations, *viz.*, Nagercoil, Trivandrum and other centres ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : No. Waiting accommodation is provided in all central places.

Transport guide.

12. **Mr. T. M. Chidambarathanu Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Transport Department is publishing any guide showing time and fare tables and if not, why ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker : No ; Time and Fare tables are published in the local Newspapers.

STATEMENT.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : : സർ, എനിക്കു ഒരു സംഗതി പ്രസിഡൻറു അവർകളുടെ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ പെടുത്താനുണ്ടു്. വ്യാഴാഴ്ച ഭരണപരിഷ്കാരത്തെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു് അങ്ങു ഒരു പ്രസ്താവനചെയ്തപ്പോൾ ഭരണപരിഷ്കാരം എഴുതി ഉണ്ടാക്കിയതിനുശേഷം പൊതുജനാഭിപ്രായം ആരായുന്നതാണെന്നു പറയുകയുണ്ടായി. അപ്പോൾ അങ്ങു പറഞ്ഞു, എസ്. എൻ. ഡി. പി. യോഗം, നായർസർവീസ് സൊസൈറ്റി, മുഹമ്മദീയ സംഘടനകൾ ഇവകളുമായിട്ടു് ആലോചിക്കുമെന്നു് ഈ മൂന്നു സംഘടനകളുടെ പേരു മാത്രമേ അപ്പോൾ പ്രസ്താവിച്ചു കേട്ടുള്ളൂ.

President : And also the State Congress.

Mr. Paul A. Thaliath : അതെ സ്റ്റേറ്റുകാൺഗ്രസ്, കമ്മ്യൂണിസ്റ്റുപാർട്ടി മുതലായവയുടെ പേരും പറഞ്ഞു. എന്നാൽ ക്രസ്തീയ സംഘടനകളുടെ ഒരു പേരും പറഞ്ഞുകേട്ടില്ല. അതു് അങ്ങു മനഃപൂർവ്വം ചെയ്തതല്ലെന്നാണു് ഞാൻ മനസ്സിലാക്കുന്നതു്.

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